# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

# FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 270 - SB 194

May 5, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (013848, 017379): Deletes the language of the original bill. Requires new applicants to present proof of citizenship with one's voter registration application, and requires permanent registration records to include a signed statement by the voter that the voter is a citizen of the United States. Requires certain information be printed on the mail-in application for voter registration including a warning which states that providing false information to register or attempt to register to vote is a Class D felony punishable by confinement for not less than two years nor more than twelve years or a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000, or both. Current voter registration forms will be used until January 1, 2011, but on-line registration forms are required to be changed as soon as reasonably possible.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$37,200/One-Time

### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

#### **Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- Any remaining printed voter registration forms will be used until January 1, 2011, at which time new forms will be issued. Existing forms will be used until the supply is depleted and revised to reflect the updated language in the normal course of business.
- Any cost to make such changes can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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